

**MINUTES OF THE
GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
February 10, 2012**

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, February 10, 2012, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bonnie Barker, LPC, Chair
Ben P. Marion, CSW, MFT, Vice-Chair
Jack Perryman, LPC
Richard Long, MFT
William C. Bacon, MFT
Steve Livingston, MFT
Tommy Black, LPC
Tonya Barbee, CSW
Robert King, CSW

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Eunice Mixon, Consumer Member

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Tricia Downing, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Serena Gadson, Licensure Supervisor
Amanda M. Allen, Board Support Specialist

GUEST(S) ATTENDEES:

Gale Macke, Executive Director, LPCA
Sue Fort, Executive Director, NASW

Bonnie Baker, Chair, established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Agenda:

Long motioned, Marion seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda with late agenda items added. None opposed, motion carried.

Minutes:

Long motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes from the January 06, 2011 meeting as amended. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Chair Barker and Board members briefly discussed Secretary Kemps recently proposed legislation regarding the Professional Licensing Boards Division offices/staff and will provide their own feedback to the Secretary of State.

Executive Director's Report:

1. Mr. Zimmerman reviewed the amendments to HB734 with the Board.

Livingston motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Executive Directors report and polices as stated. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondences:

- Richard Silver, Mary Cown, Amie Satchell, Teigh Snowden, Clinton Decker, and Dr. James Billings

Marion motioned, King seconded, and the Board voted to allow the administrative staff to respond to all correspondences presented to the Board as directed. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition for Variance/Waiver Requests:

- Bashum, Jennifer- Rule 135-9-.01 Continuing Education Requirements

Barbee motioned, Marion seconded, and the Board voted to grant the variance/waiver request. Continuing Education hours may be obtained online. None opposed, motion carried.

- Pique, Marlana – Rule 135-9-.01 Continuing Education Requirements

Marion motioned, King seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition for variance/waiver request. Insufficient evidence provided to prove hardship; licensee must obtain the required continuing education hours and retake examination. None opposed, motion carried.

- Stender, Patricia – Rule 135-5-.04 Requirements for Licensure for Clinical Social Workers

Barbee motioned, Long seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for variance/waiver request. None opposed, motion carried.

Perryman motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, receive the Attorney General's, Cognizant, and Professional Practice Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Barker, Marion, Perryman, Black, Barbee, King, Long, Bacon, and Livingston

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, February 10, 2012, Ms. Barker declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

Applications:

Long motioned, Bacon seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following Marriage & Family Therapists applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY EXAM:

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| 1. G.C. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 2. J.D. | Approved to sit for exam |

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| 3. K.G. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 4. A.J. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 5. L.O. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 6. K.R. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 7. L.W. | Pending the receipt of additional information |

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST- CONTRACT CHANGES:

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| 1. Forschler, Melissa | Contract changes approved |
| 2. Torell, Craig | Contract changes approved |

MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY EXAM:

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| 1. Y.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 2. R.C. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 3. J.H. | Approved to sit for exam |

MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY EXAM WAIVER:

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| 1. Fox, Megan | Approved for licensure |
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Black motioned, Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following Professional Counselors applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR – CONTRACT CHANGES:

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| 1. Bodine, Eva | Contract changes approved |
| 2. Bradshaw, Crystal | Contract changes approved |
| 3. Brown, Trisha | Contract changes approved |
| 4. Cassels, Heather | Contract changes approved |
| 5. Dixon, Mayi | Contact changes approved |
| 6. Eve, Elizabeth | Contract changes approved |
| 7. Haralson, Constance | Contract changes approved |
| 8. Hiers, Lisa | Contract changes approved |
| 9. Johnson, Sophia | Contract changes approved |
| 10. Kantor, Melinda | Contract changes approved |
| 11. Khan, Rabia | Contract changes approved |
| 12. Langley, Michelle | Contract changes approved |
| 13. Pickard, Eleanor | Contract changes approved |
| 14. Smith, Jennifer | Contract changes approved |

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM:

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| 1. J.A. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 2. W.A. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 3. C.B.W. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 4. A.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 5. J.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 6. N.D. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 7. K.E. | Approved to sit for exam |

8. M.F.	Approved to sit for exam
9. M.B.H.	Approved to sit for exam
10. M.H.	Approved to sit for exam
11. K.J.	Approved to sit for exam
12. K.N.	Approved to sit for exam
13. C.P.	Approved to sit for exam
14. K.P.K.	Approved to sit for exam
15. A.R.	Approved to sit for exam
16. M.S.	Approved to sit for exam
17. A.W.	Approved to sit for exam
18. T.W.	Approved to sit for exam
19. K.W.	Approved to sit for exam
20. L.W.	Approved to sit for exam
21. S.W.J.	Approved to sit for exam
22. B.Y.	Approved to sit for exam

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM WAIVER:

1. Carter, Kandi	Approved for licensure
2. Cheung, David	Approved for licensure
3. Driggers, Kristina	Approved for licensure
4. Elkins, Cheryl	Approved for licensure
5. M.F.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
6. Fort, Lisa	Approved for licensure
7. Fulmer, Olin	Approved for licensure
8. Gilmore, Lauren	Approved for licensure
9. Helm, Xiemena	Approved for licensure
10. Holmes, Nicole	Approved for licensure
11. Howard, Anissa	Approved for licensure
12. Jeffries, Maximillian	Approved for licensure
13. Key, Meredith	Approved for licensure
14. Montgomery, Janika	Approved for licensure
15. Morris, Pamela	Approved for licensure
16. Murphy-Dollar, Shannon	Approved for licensure
17. Runice, Kimara	Approved for licensure
18. Strub, Liza	Approved for licensure
19. Tetterton, Jamilah	Approved for licensure
20. Williams, Sherry	Approved for licensure

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM:

1. D.A.W.	Approved to sit for exam
2. M.A.	Pending the receipt of additional information
3. T.B.	Pending the receipt of additional information
4. R.B.	Approved to sit for exam
5. V.C.	Pending applicant interview
6. T.F.	Pending the receipt of additional information
7. H.H.	Pending the receipt of additional information
8. S.L.	Approved to sit for exam
9. R.L.	Pending the receipt of additional information

10. A.S.	Denied educational requirements not met
11. D.S.	Approved to sit for exam
12. H.S.	Pending the receipt of additional information
13. D.W.	Approved to sit for exam
14. J.W.	Pending the receipt of additional information

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM WAIVER:

1. Abbott, Jan	Approved for licensure
2. Arnold, Candice	Approved for licensure
3. Baker, Nerrissa	Approved for licensure
4. S.B.	Pending the receipt of additional information
5. Campbell, Benita	Approved for licensure
6. Carmichael, Jennifer	Approved for licensure
7. Cone, Anna	Approved for licensure
8. Corely, Andrea	Approved for licensure
9. Day, Ryan	Approved for licensure
10. Dhara, Katie	Approved for licensure
11. Fedd, Eva	Approved for licensure
12. Gardner, Erika	Approved for licensure
13. Garone, Rosemary	Approved for licensure
14. Grimes, Lee	Approved for licensure
15. Grimes, Tiffany	Approved for licensure
16. L.H.	Pending the receipt of additional information
17. R.H.	Pending the receipt of additional information
18. Humes, Damaris	Approved for licensure
19. Jewell, Jennifer	Approved for licensure
20. Kantor, Melinda	Approved for licensure
21. Kusschnitsky, Tanya	Approved for licensure
22. Lee, Jamie	Approved for licensure
23. McClannahan, Kimberly	Approved for licensure
24. Marshall, Susan	Approved for licensure
25. Mason, Richard	Approved for licensure
26. Mitchell, LaTonya	Approved for licensure
27. Morris, Pamela	Approved for licensure
28. Murr, Kristina	Approved for licensure
29. Patton, Vanessa	Approved for licensure
30. Pellegrino, Lillian	Approved for licensure
31. Rodger, Thomas	Approved for licensure
32. E.R.	Pending the receipt of additional information
33. Sampson, Stacy	Approved for licensure
34. Shub, Amanda	Approved for licensure
35. Smith, Marcia	Approved for licensure
36. Vicente, Elsa	Approved for licensure
37. K.W.	Pending the receipt of additional information
38. Yarbrough, Mia	Approved for licensure

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY ENDORSEMENT:

1. Wells, James	Approved for licensure
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LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY REINSTATEMENT:

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| 1. W.R.J. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 2. W.T. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 3. Weddington, Jamie | Approved for licensure |

Marion motioned, Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following Social Workers applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM:

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| 1. M.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 2. A.C. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 3. B.E. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 4. L.E.C. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 5. J.F. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 6. T.G. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 7. A.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 8. F.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 9. S.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 10. K.J. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 11. K.J. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 12. B.K. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 13. E.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 14. J.M. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 15. M.P. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 16. S.R. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 17. G.R. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 18. K.S. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 19. S.S. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 20. J.S. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 21. B.S. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 22. L.S. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 23. P.T. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 24. C.W. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 25. S.W. | Pending the receipt of additional information |

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM WAIVER:

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| 1. Collier, Carol | Approved for licensure |
| 2. Connelly, Jon | Approved for licensure |
| 3. K.D.M. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 4. D.F. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 5. Hollis, Brenda | Approved for licensure |
| 6. Packard, Michele | Approved for licensure |
| 7. Rutkowski-Dantzler, Marcia | Approved for licensure |
| 8. J.S. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 9. Stender, Patricia | Approved for licensure |
| 10. Stevenson, Kelly | Approved for licensure |

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY REINSTATEMENT:

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| 1. E.E. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 2. S.M. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 3. M.P. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 4. D.S. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 5. S.W. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 6. B.W. | Approved to sit for exam |

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM:

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| 1. M.A. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 2. L.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 3. J.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 4. L.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 5. D.B. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 6. S.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 7. R.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 8. N.C. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 9. R.C. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 10. L.D. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 11. S.D. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 12. Y.F. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 13. J.F. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 14. L.G.E. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 15. D.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 16. S.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 17. T.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 18. V.H. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 19. M.J. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 20. S.L. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 21. J.L. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 22. P.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 23. N.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 24. B.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 25. S.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 26. L.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 27. W.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 28. E.P. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 29. M.R. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 30. F.R. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 31. N.R. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 32. L.S.W. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 33. A.T. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 34. S.T. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 35. W.T. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 36. S.U. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 37. F.W. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 38. L.W. | Approved to sit for exam |

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM WAIVER:

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| 1. Busey, Victoria | Approved for licensure |
| 2. Eubanks, Larry | Approved for licensure |
| 3. Keyes, Michelle | Approved for licensure |
| 4. Sentimore, Kendall | Approved for licensure |
| 5. Teter, Katherine | Approved for licensure |
| 6. Weaver, Patricia | Approved for licensure |
| 7. N.W. | Pending the receipt of additional information |

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY REINSTATEMENT:

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| 1. S.B. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 2. L.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 3. M.R. | Approved to sit for exam |
| 4. C.R. | Approved to sit for exam |

STANDARDS COMMITTEE- APPLICANT INTERVIEWS:

Black motioned, and Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants for licensure by Examination appearing before the APC/LPC Standards Committee.

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| • M.M. | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| • J.H. | No Show |

Marion motioned, and Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants for licensure by Examination appearing before the CSW/MSW Standards Committee.

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| • B.M. | Approved to sit for exam |
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Professional Practices Committee Report:**Complaint Cases Closed:**

- COMP100075, COMP110086, COMP110032, COMP120023, COMP120035, COMP120039, COMP120043, COMP120047, COMP120053, COMP120055, COMP120059, COMP120060 and COMP120061

Complaint Cases: Referred to Investigations:

- COMP110108, COMP120006 and COMP120011

Complaint Cases: Pending the receipt of additional information:

- COMP110096, COMP120002, COMP120019, COMP120024, COMP120032, COMP120034, COMP120036, COMP120040, COMP120042, COMP120044, COMP120046, COMP120049, COMP120050, COMP120052, COMP120054, COMP120056, COMP120058, COMP120062 and COMP120063

Complaint Cases: Referred to the Attorney General's Office:

- COMP100031, COMP110030 and COMP120014

Marion motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Professional Practice Committee Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Tricia Downing, Senior Assistant Attorney General provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action.

- Rachel M. Rowe, MSW004378

Long Motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the signed public consent order and once received; allow Mr. Zimmerman, Executive Director, to sign the order in lieu of the chair. None opposed, motion carried.

Long motioned, Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Additional Board Business:

1. Board voted to schedule a conference call for February 17, 2012. The Rules Committee will meet briefly following the completion of the conference call meeting agenda.
2. Association updates were provided by Gale Macke, Executive Director, LPCA and Sue Fort, Executive Director, NASW.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, Bacon motioned, Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today's scheduled meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Amanda M. Allen, Board Support Specialist and

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Bonnie Barker, Chair

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

These minutes were approved on: March 09, 2012